

REMARKS

Claims 29-34, 36, 37 and 39-51 are pending. Claims 1-28, 30, 35, 38, 43-45 and 50 are currently canceled. Claims 37 and 42 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 29, 32-34, 36, 40-41, 46-49 and 51 are currently amended. Claims 52-54 have been added. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

§ 112 Rejections

Claims 30-34, 36, 40, 41, 43 and 45-51 are rejected under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention.

Claims 30 and 43-45 have been cancelled.

The elements "hair bleaching agents," "hair coloring agents," and "antidandruff agents" have been deleted from claim 40.

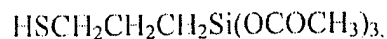
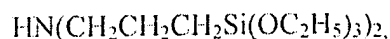
The element "(h) depilatories" has been deleted from claim 41.

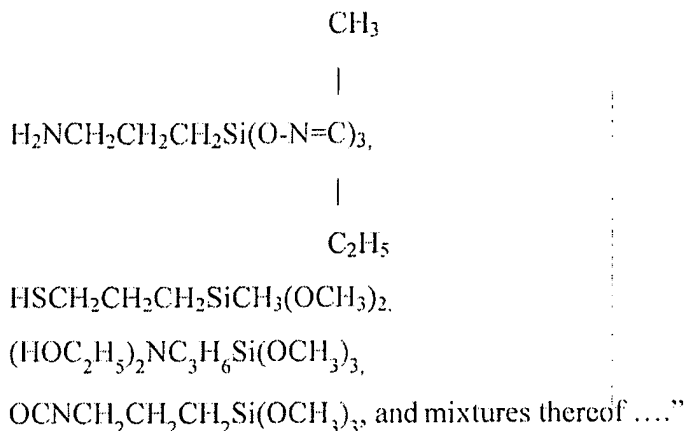
In summary, Applicants submit that the rejection of claims 30-34, 36, 40, 41, 43 and 45-51 under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, has been overcome, and that the rejection should be withdrawn.

§ 103 Rejections

Claims 29-34, 36, 39-41 and 43-51 are rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,433,073 (Kantner) in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,954,598 (Baghdachi).

Independent claim 29 is patent over Kantner in view of Baghdachi for at least the reason that neither Kantner nor Baghdachi alone or in combination teach "at least one polyurethane-urea polymer that is functionalized with at least one silyl containing component selected from the group consisting of:



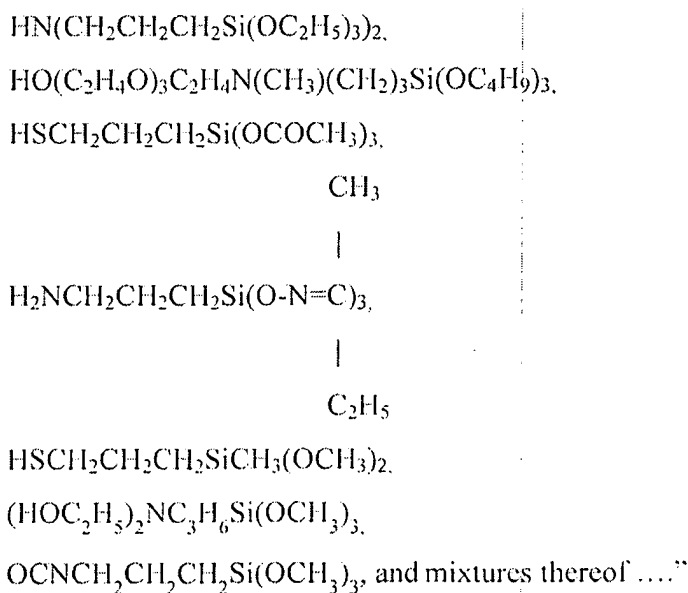


Therefore, reconsideration and allowance of claim 29 is respectfully requested.

Claims 39-41 each add additional features to claim 29. Claim 29 is patentable for at least the reason provided above. Thus, claims 39-41 are likewise patentable.

Independent Claim 52

Claim 52 is patentable over Kantner and Baghdachi for at least the reason that neither Kantner nor Baghdachi, alone or in combination, teach "a cosmetic composition which cosmetic composition contains ... a reaction product of ... (iii) at least one silyl containing component selected from the group consisting of



Therefore, consideration and allowance of claim 52 is respectfully requested.

Claims 31-34, 36 and 53 each add additional features to claim 52. Claim 52 is patentable for at least the reason provided above. Thus, claims 31-34, 36 and 53 are likewise patentable.

Independent Claim 54

Claim 54 is patentable over Kantner and Baghdachi for at least the reason that neither Kantner nor Baghdachi, alone or in combination, teach "a cosmetic composition which cosmetic composition contains ... a reaction product of ... (iii) at least one silyl containing component having the formula $(R^4O)_3SiR^5Z$ wherein R^4 is a lower alkyl radical of one to four carbon atoms or lower acyl of two to five carbon atoms, R^5 is a divalent organic bridging radical of 2 to 20 carbon atoms selected from the group consisting of divalent hydrocarbyl radical free from olefinic unsaturation and free from isocyanate-reactive groups, divalent polyoxyalkylene mono- or poly-oxaalkylene radical containing not more than one ether oxygen per two carbon atoms or divalent hydrocarbylamino radical, and Z is $-OH$, $-N(C_2H_4OH)_2$, $-NCO$ or epoxide"

Therefore, consideration and allowance of claim 54 is respectfully requested.

Claims 46-49 and 51 each add additional features to claim 54. Claim 54 is patentable for at least the reason provided above. Thus, claims 46-49 and 51 are likewise patentable.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Examination and reconsideration of the application as amended is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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